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**Testimony in Support of  
S.B. No. 318, 'An Act Concerning Private School Transportation'**

Before the Education Committee

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As a *parent of Mikayla Benn* at St. Mary School in Ridgefield, CT, I support S.B. No. 318.

*St. Mary School offers an education, religious offerings and personalization of Mikayla unlike any school I have visited in my own city of Danbury.*

*Living in a city and sending Mikayla to a school in another town is a huge burden that my family makes in the name of my daughter's education.*

Please keep access to our schools alive and viable for all children by allowing state reimbursements for inter-district transportation for K-8 nonpublic schools.

For these reasons, I urge the committee to support S.B. No. 318.

Sincerely,

Christopher Benn